

MINUTES
DESIGN REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, May 6, 2009, 6:30 p.m.
Town Hall Conference Room #1, Basement Level

- 1) **Call to Order** – Mr. Bockstael called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.
- 2) **Roll Call** - Members in attendance: Bruce Bockstael, Andrea Boyle, Jay Hallinan and Steve Hine. Joe Hickey submitted commentary via e-mail.

Also present: Denise Bradley, Assistant Planner

- 3) **Public Comments** - There was no one from the public in attendance.
- 4) **Minutes** – Minutes of the March 18, 2009 meeting. Ms. Boyle made a motion to approve said minutes, Mr. Hallinan seconded, and the vote showed all in favor.

5) PROJECT REVIEWS

- 5.1 **APPLICATION NO. 134-09-DR** – Kim’s Flower Shop – Ms. Kim Notaro, owner, is seeking approval of a new sign at 730 Silas Deane Highway. The size of the sign proposed is identical to that of signage currently found on this building for the salon business, Nirvana. The proposed professionally-made, non-illuminated sign would contain capital sized lettering in black with a white background. A green and pink border would appear along the frame of the sign. The sign would lay centered and flush along the front of the building. No freestanding sign is requested. Ms. Bradley indicated that the 22 ft. sign complies with Town zoning regulations.

Mr. Bockstael made a motion to approve the signage as presented. Mr. Hine seconded the motion, and the vote showed all in favor.

- 5.2 **APPLICATION NO. 135-09-DR** – TD Bank is seeking approval of a façade modification at 25 Wells Road. At this time, the representatives need to sort out some details and will contact Ms. Bradley to reschedule this matter. Therefore, this matter is tabled.

- 5.3 **APPLICATION NO. 136-09-DR** – Catcher’s Sports Bar (f/k/a The Boiler Room) is seeking administrative approval of a sign at 580 Silas Deane Highway. The like for like signage has already been displayed. Therefore, at this time, a review from the Committee is not required.

6) Other Business:

Ms. Bradley indicated that Humphrey’s Restaurant certificate of occupancy in approximately 2 weeks. Ms. Bradley mentioned that the discussion she had with the proprietor mentioned fencing around the patio as necessary. The proprietor indicated that landscape boulders will be installed. Ms. Bradley mentioned her reiteration to the proprietor that this Committee recommends that no logos appear on the umbrellas.

The parking lot at Town Hall will be renovated and reconfigured. One entrance and one exit will exist when the renovation is completed.

Grants may be available for more durable/longer-lasting Wethersfield Town signage to be erected at the Town's borders and on the Silas Deane Highway.

CROG is looking to place bus shelters in various locations in the future.

- 7) **Upcoming Business** – In the near future, the Committee may review new signage for the property known as “The Corner Store” which is located on the corner of Church Street and 500 Silas Deane Highway. A variance exists dating back to year 1963 regarding signage at this property. This variance runs with the land.
- 8) **Adjournment** – Mr. Bockstael made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Mr. Hallinan seconded, and the vote showed all in favor of adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Goslicki
Committee Recording Secretary